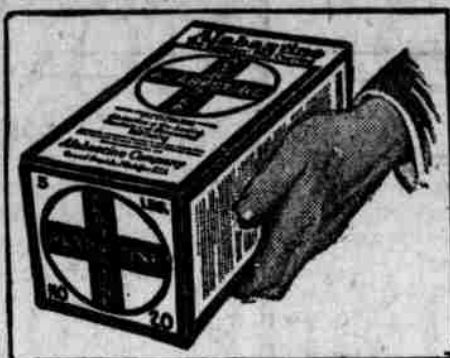


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I should like to touch here, but barely touch, the thought of the dear and lovely lady which has all this time been in the back of my mind, as a supreme proof of the highest praise that could be given to aging woman, writes W. D. Howells in Harper's Magazine. She was of the finest modernity in her love of the best things in literature and life, and could no more err in taste than in truth or the beauty which is one with it.

She is gone now, who was so lately here in such perfection of mind and soul, that it seems as if she could never have left us who were privileged to share the bounty of her wisdom and grace.

The Slackers.

An army officer said at dinner: "Some of our gallant young officers are accused of having acquired the use of face creams and powder over in France. Be that as it may—" Here the officer winked his eye. "Be that as it may, I know of some young officers here at home who took even greater care of their skins."

Our idea of a great talker is a woman who has enough sense to know her limit.

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Dizzy's Rap at His Old Fox.
Disraeli's unpublished novel will be read with eager interest by all who care to learn his view of his great rival, Gladstone, who is therein portrayed as Joseph Toplady Falconet. In denying him any sense of humor the novelist does not exceed the privileges of poetic license, for certainly his model was always in grim, serious earnest. In declaring, however, that he was never seen to smile Disraeli somewhat maliciously exaggerates, for Gladstone's smile was not infrequent, and was among his many personal charms. But it must be remembered that the novel was written when the two statesmen had long been settled and unrelenting foes, and Dizzy was a good hater.—London Chronicle.

The Important One.

A young stenographer was discussing her Christmas shopping with the girl who worked across the hall from her. "I've got something for all my nieces and nephews except the newest one," she said, "and she is only two months old. Can't you suggest something for a baby of that age?"

The other girl smiled. "Why are you going to get her anything?" she asked. "A baby two months old doesn't know there is such a thing as Christmas."

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1919 Railroad Freight Robberies of \$45,000,000

WASHINGTON.—Wholesale looting of merchandise in transit upon the railroads of the United States caused a loss of approximately \$45,000,000 in 1919, according to United States railroad administration statistics. A technique of robbery has been developed so highly that the methods of "master thieves" are similar in the United States, England, France, Italy and Argentina. Thief hunters here, however, are inclined to discredit the belief that a "widespread international organization" is at work stealing merchandise.

Substitution is the usual method used by the robbers. Boxes supposed to contain velvets are found at their destination to be filled with cheaper cloth or waste paper. These are referred to as "concealed losses" by railroad men, and are especially difficult to trace, as it is almost impossible to discover at what point the theft occurred.

The silk industry has been one of the most severely hit in the last year, and so great has the risk become that the railroad administration has been considering excluding raw silks from the privilege of freight transportation by rail.

The jewelers, who have always been looked upon as easy prey by thieves, fared better last year by approximately 50 per cent than in the previous year, it was said by the Jewelers' Protective union.

Among the methods frequently used by thieves are the following: A truckman at a freight station with a load of goods watches his opportunity and takes the freight clerk's receiving stamp, puts it on the bill of lading, and then drives off with the goods.

Another method is for a truckman to drive into a city freight yard with an empty box on his truck. He substitutes a box of stolen merchandise for the empty he brought in.

Robbers often get aboard trains and throw goods out for confederates to pick up along the route.

Women Voters Desire a Department of Education

WOMEN voters of the United States—actual and prospective—and especially the teachers, are interesting themselves and other citizens in the measure now before congress known as the Smith-Towner bill. This bill seeks to make what is now the bureau of education in the department of the interior a department of the government itself, with administrative functions and a secretary the same as any other department.

The bureau of education gathers information showing the condition and progress of education and has been of great help in giving advice to state, county and municipal officials respecting the administration and improvement of schools. It cannot interfere directly with state operations, nor could a national department if created. But the bureau has not hesitated to call public attention to unsatisfactory conditions whenever criticism was desirable in the interest of the children, and thus it possesses a power of great value for the public good. It has direct charge of the education of the native children of Alaska, and promotes home gardening under school direction and increased food production.

But because it is a bureau, one of many of a great department, the women assert that it has not the influence which the importance of its work justifies. It is looked upon as a minor branch of the government, whereas, because of the value of education to the people as a whole, it is claimed it should be on an equality with other affairs of not greater moment to the nation.

To it could be transferred the educational activities which exist to some extent in both the army and navy, and especially the children's bureau, which now functions under the department of labor.

Incidentally, if a woman is ever to have a seat in the cabinet, a department of education seems to be her best chance.

Overlooked by the Correspondents in Washington

THE senate, the other day, passed a bill directing the secretary of the treasury to pay "to Gertrude Lustig, the sum of \$1,286.53, being the amount she would have received as pay and allowances as chief nurse, army nurse corps,

from September 28, 1918, the date of her unjustifiable dismissal from that position, to May 22, 1919, the date of her restoration to the service." In reply to questions Senator Wadsworth said:

"The unfortunate thing was that the nurse in question was in jail during that entire time. This case constitutes one of the most distressing and horrible things that I have ever encountered in connection with the treatment of a good woman by the government. It arose from a frame-up. The story is a rather distressing one, and I hesitate very much to tell it. The military intelligence department of the war department realized the error that had been made, and the department of justice also realized it; and both departments, together with the surgeon general, the head of the whole medical service, joined in an urgent request that this relief be granted to Miss Lustig. She has been restored to service, and she is now a member of the army nurse corps. I may say to the senators that the government has done its best to locate the blame for this thing. The persons involved in it have utterly disappeared."

This is practically all that was said in the senate concerning the facts in the case. Senator King of Utah said: "I feel that the war department should determine who committed this crime against the nurse and prosecute them criminally, and compel them to refund the amount. After waiting a reasonable time I shall ask an investigation of the entire matter."

Vacancies in United States Diplomatic Service

ASIDE from the enemy countries and nations with which the United States has severed diplomatic relations there are eight vacancies in the American diplomatic list. The United States has no minister at the capitals of China, Denmark, Costa Rica, Greece, The Netherlands, Salvador, Siam and Switzerland. While Finland has a minister here, no American envoy has yet been sent to the new Finnish republic.

As many shifts usually occur following a change of administration, fear is expressed that it will be difficult to find men willing to accept some of these appointments who are well suited to the work. Many men would welcome an appointment for one year as ambassador or minister, but experience seems to show that the first year has been merely a training period for most diplomats.

Successful diplomatic achievement, as a rule, depends largely upon continuity of service. Consequently, it is said, the men best qualified to fill the existing vacancies would not care to undertake the duties of envoy for so short a period.

Furthermore, most of the secretarial positions held by diplomatic secretaries are now protected by civil service, and diplomatic secretaries who accepted positions as chiefs of missions would risk the danger of removal in the event of a change of administration.

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